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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SOVIET DEPARTURES FROM SOMALIA

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1. RADIO MOGADISCIO DENIED REPOQZS JULY 18. SONNA, SOMALI
NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY'S DAILY NEWS BULLETIN'S JULY 19 EDITION
REFUTED UK SUNDAY TELEGRAPH NEWS REPORT AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE: SONNA TODAY CATEGORICALLY DENIED THE "SUNDAY TELEGRAPH'S"
NEWS REPORT YESTERDAY THAT SOVIET MILITARY ADVISORS AND TECHNICIANS
IN SOMALIA WERE ORDERED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY WITHIN THREE MONTHS.
SONNA DESCRIBED IT AS "BASELESS AND FALSE PROPAGANDA SPREAD BY
IMPERIALISTS AND INTERNATIONAL RUMORMONGERS". UNQUOTE.

2. IN EIGHT TO TEN DAY VISIT MOGADISCIO CORRESPONDENTS AP, UPI,
AND DIE ZEIT SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME SPEAKING TO MEMBERS
DIPLOMATIC CORPS. ALL ALSO GIVEN OPPORTUNITY VISIT BRAVA,
MERCA AND RESETTLEMENT CAMPS. BASED THEIR OBSERVATIONS AND
DISCUSSIONS CERTAIN ARAB EMBASSIES, PARTICULARLY KUWAIT,
THEY STARTED DRAW CONCLUSION THAT NOTICEABLE INCREASE NUMBERS
RUSSIANS IN MOGADISCIO WAS INDICATOR SOVIET MILITARY ADVISORS
AND TECHNICIANS PREPARING DEPART.

3. AT MOMENT EMBASSY HAS NO EVIDENCE SOMALI DECISION ORDERING
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RUSSIANS LEAVE AND HAS SO ADVISED ALL CORRESPONDENTS QUERYING US.

4. DEPARTMENT SHOULD NOTE GOVT'S DENIALS QUOTE FALSE PRO-
PAGANDA SPREAD BY IMPERIALISTS...UNQUOTE IS --
COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS DENIALS WESTERN PRESS REPORTING ON SOMALIA
- BEING DEALT WITH IN RATHER LOW KEY MANNER.
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